

**I FORMATIVE ASSESSMENT -- 2017-18**

**SUB:ENGLISH**

**STD : VIII**

**Marks: 20**

**Date: 8.8.2017**

**TIME: 1 hr**

**Q1) Read the following Passage and answer the following questions.**

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A borrowed book is like a guest in the house. It must be treated with punctiliousness, with a certain considerate formality. You must see that it sustains no damage; it must not suffer while under your roof. You cannot leave it carelessly, you cannot mark it, you cannot turn the pages, you cannot use it familiarly. And then someday, although this is seldom done you really ought to return it.

But your own books belong to you; you treat them with that affectionate intimacy that annihilates formality. Books are for use not for show; you should own no book that you are afraid to mark up, or afraid to place on the table, wide open and face down.

Questions:

- 1) What care should be taken with a borrowed book?
- 2) How would you handle your own book?
- 3) Books are for use and not for show, Do you agree with this statement?
- 4) Pick up from the passage word which means 'rare'.
- 5) You cannot leave it carelessly. ( change to interrogative sentence

**Q2) Read the following poem and answer the following questions**

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Abou Ben Adhem(may his tribe increase)  
Awoke one night from a deep dream of peace

And saw,within the moonlight in his room,  
Making it rich,and like a lily in bloom,

An angel writing in a book of gold,  
Exceeding peace had made Ben Ashem bold,

And to the presence in the room he said:  
"What writest thou?"- The vision raised its head,

And with a look made of all sweat accord,  
Answered, "The names of those who love the Lord."

Questions

- 1) Why was the room lit up like a lily?
- 2) Who entered the room?

- 3) Identify the figure of speech in the second stanza.
- 4) Give the rhyming scheme followed in the given lines.
- 5) Give the opposites a) deep b) Presence

**QIII) Do as directed**

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- 1) Though he is rich he is humble.( change to simple sentence)
- 2) He called me \_\_\_\_\_ the cake ( fill in the blank with suitable infinitive).
- 3) The child \_\_\_\_\_ the door and \_\_\_\_\_ towards his pet.( fill in the blanks with simple present and past continuous tense.)
- 4) The child was tired and was sleeping peacefully.( identify the clause in the sentence)
- 5) The old lady could not open the box. ( change the voice)

**QIV) Write a letter to your friend inviting him/ her for the Ganesh festival at your home. 5**